

**§ 868.261**

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**GRADES, GRADE REQUIREMENTS, AND GRADE DESIGNATIONS**

**§ 868.261 Grade and grade requirements for the classes of brown rice for processing. (See also § 868.263.)**

| Grade             | Maximum limits of—  |    |  |  |   |   |   |  |                          |                              |
|-------------------|---|----|--|--|---|---|---|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|
|                   | Paddy kernels   |    | Seeds and heat-damaged kernels                   |  |   | Red rice and damaged kernels (singly or combined) (percent) | Chalky kernels <sup>1,2</sup> (percent) | Broken kernels removed by a 6 plate or a 6½ sieve <sup>3</sup> (percent) | Other types <sup>4</sup> | Wellmilled kernels (percent) |
|                   |   |    | Total (singly or combined) (number in 500 grams) | Heat-damaged kernels (number in 500 grams) | Objectionable seeds (number in 500 grams) |   |   |  |                          |                              |
| U.S. No. 1 .....  | —   | 20 | 10   | 1  | 2   | 1.0   | 2.0                                     | 1.0  | 1.0                      | 1.0                          |
| U.S. No. 2 .....  | 2.0   | —  | 40   | 2  | 10  | 2.0   | 4.0                                     | 2.0  | 2.0                      | 3.0                          |
| U.S. No. 3 .....  | 2.0   | —  | 70   | 4  | 20  | 4.0   | 6.0                                     | 3.0  | 5.0                      | 10.0                         |
| U.S. No. 4 .....  | 2.0   | —  | 100  | 8  | 35  | 8.0   | 8.0                                     | 4.0  | 10.0                     | 10.0                         |
| U.S. No. 5 .....  | 2.0   | —  | 150  | 15   | 50  | 15.0  | 15.0                                    | 6.0  | 10.0                     | 10.0                         |
| U.S. Sample grade | U.S. Sample grade shall be brown rice for processing which (a) does not meet the requirements for any of the grades from U.S. No. 1 to U.S. No. 5, inclusive; (b) contains more than 14.5 percent of moisture; (c) is musty, or sour, or heating; (d) has any commercially objectionable foreign odor; (e) contains more than 0.2 percent of related material or more than 0.1 percent of unrelated material; (f) contains two or more live weevils or other live insects; or (g) is otherwise of distinctly low quality. |    |  |  |   |   |   |  |                          |                              |

<sup>1</sup> For the special grade Parboiled brown rice for processing, see § 868.263(a).

<sup>2</sup> For the special grade Glutinous brown rice for processing, see § 868.263(c).

<sup>3</sup> Plates should be used for southern production rice and sieves should be used for western production rice, but any device or method which gives equivalent results may be used.

<sup>4</sup> These limits do not apply to the class Mixed Brown Rice for Processing.

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**§ 868.262 Grade designation.**

(a) The grade designation for all classes of brown rice for processing, except Mixed Brown Rice for Processing, shall include in the following order: (1) The letters “U.S.”; (2) the number of the grade or the words “Sample grade,” as warranted; (3) the words “or better,” when applicable and requested by the applicant prior to inspection; (4) the class; and (5) each applicable special grade (see § 868.264).

(b) The grade designation for the class Mixed Brown Rice for Processing shall include in the following order: (1) The letters “U.S.”; (2) the number of the grade or the words “Sample grade,” as warranted; (3) the words “or better,” when applicable and requested by the applicant prior to inspection; (4) the class; (5) each applicable special grade (see § 868.264); (6) the percentage of whole kernels of each type in the

order of predominance; and when applicable; (7) the percentage of broken kernels of each type in the order of predominance; and (8) the percentage of seeds, related material, and unrelated material.

NOTE: Broken kernels other than long grain, in Mixed Brown Rice for Processing, shall be certificated as “medium or short grain.”

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**SPECIAL GRADES, SPECIAL GRADE REQUIREMENTS, AND SPECIAL GRADE DESIGNATIONS**

**§ 868.263 Special grades and special grade requirements.**

A special grade, when applicable, is supplemental to the grade assigned under § 868.262. Such special grades for